

For MO awareness: CSC queries from Global News and National Post re donation to Freedom Convoy work email

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Bon après-midi,

For awareness, CSC has received two queries from Global News and the National Post enquiring about a donation to the Freedom Convoy 2022 fundraising page by a CSC employee using his work email. See proposed response that is currently with our Commissioner for approval.

National Post also indicated that their search shows that the employee in question is a correctional officer; as such, we will confirm that the employee is in fact not a correctional officer.

Any concerns on your end?

Thanks

Pierre

Query 1:

Journalist & media outlet: Stewart Bell, Global News

Deadline: ASAP today

Questions: One of the donations was made under the false name "George Soros" but came from the following email address: **Personal Info.** Does CSC have any comment?

Query 2:

Journalist and media outlet: Bryan Passifume, National Post

Deadline: today

Questions: I'm a reporter with the National Post, writing a story on last night's leak of a donor list for GiveSendGo's fundraising campaign for the Freedom Convoy.

One of the people in the list appears to be a CSC employee.... **Personal Info.** donated \$102 via the **Personal Info.** email address.

Online searches suggest he is a sworn corrections officer.

Are you able to confirm this, and does CSC have any policies about using government email to donate money to causes, particularly those who purportedly aim to overthrow the government?

Answer for both queries:

We are currently looking into this matter.

We can confirm that, as an organization, the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) is not associated with or involved in the convoy or any of its fundraising efforts.

At all times, CSC employees are expected to act according to legal and ethical standards, and are subject to our rules of professional conduct and [code](#) of discipline. This includes proper use of CSC email accounts and electronic devices.

Additional messaging for National Post:

The Privacy Act provides very strict parameters about the information that we can disclose about employees, but we can confirm that this employee is not a correctional officer.

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